

DECLARATION

As below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to our names.

The below named inventors are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **METHYLATED, SmD HOMOLOGOUS PEPTIDES, REACTIVE WITH THE ANTIBODIES FROM SERA OF LIVING BEINGS AFFECTED WITH SYSTEMIC LUPUS ERYTHEMATOSUS**, the specification of which was filed as PCT International Application No. PCT/EP98/05518 on August 31, 1998 and was not amended under PCT Article 19.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to us to be material to patentability of the subject matter claimed in this application, as "materiality" is defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 (a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATION(S)	<u>Priority Claimed</u>		
<u>97870127.4</u> (Number)	<u>Europe</u> (Country)	<u>29 August 1997</u> (Date Filed)	<u>Yes</u>

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s), or § 365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States of America, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me to be material to patentability of the subject matter claimed in this application, as "materiality" is defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56, which become available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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ELECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 3.71 and 3.73
AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The undersigned, being Assignee of undivided joint interest in the above-identified application by virtue of an Assignment as set forth below, hereby elects, under 37 C.F.R. § 3.71, to prosecute the application to the exclusion of the inventors.

The Assignee hereby revokes any previous Powers of Attorney and appoints Patricia A. Kammerer, Reg. No. 29,775; Craig M. Lundell, Reg. No. 30,284; and Janelle D. Waack, Reg. No. 36,300, Raymund Eich, Reg. No. 42,508, each an attorney or patent agent with the law firm of ARNOLD, WHITE & DURKEE, as its attorney so long as they remain with such law firm, with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute the application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office in connection therewith, to receive any Letters Patent, and for one year after issuance of such Letters Patent to file any request for a certificate of correction that may be deemed appropriate.

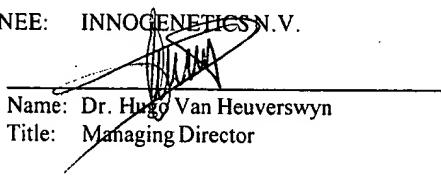
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 3.73, the undersigned has reviewed the evidentiary documents, specifically the Assignment to INNOGENETICS N.V. referenced below, and certifies that to the best of my knowledge and belief, title remains in the name of the Assignee.

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